

## FRENCH WIVES IN AMERICA.

If these thousands of young French wives of American soldiers will share some of the charming secrets of French femininity with their American sisters; if they will publish the art of making a salad, the knack of making a soup; if they will communicate the insight and the dainty touch that transform a mere dress into a distinctive costume expressive of the best traits of the wearer; if they will teach the deft art of placing a chair and arranging a flower so as to give charm to an apartment and to lend the indefinable air of distinction and elegant simplicity which is so characteristically French; and above all, says Hartford Times, if they will radiate everywhere their happy heritage of good nature, vivacity and cheerful acceptance of circumstances, and exemplify French genius for the elegance of simplicity and the good breeding of economy, they in their turn will place the homes of America greatly in their debt.

Time was when it seemed incredible that school teachers would ever find it necessary to organize in order to obtain fair pay and fair working conditions, but when the teachers of some cities discovered that the garbage collectors, aided by labor union affiliations, were getting better wages than the teachers and were in line to obtain more favorable pension consideration than teachers could hope for, the teachers began to see the necessity for organization. They discovered, at length, says Christian Science Monitor, what the entire social body, usually referred to as "the middle class," is beginning to find out, that in a highly organized world he is a rare individual indeed who can hope to get his rights unless by joint action with others situated and equipped like himself.

As a political prisoner, whose only crime is wholesale murder and the ruin and dissolution of millions of lives, William Hoboken is at last suffering the torture of prison fare. So they tell us. His menu has been cut until at last he ekes out a bare living on the following: Breakfast, new rolls, biscuits, cake and fresh butter, two or three eggs, Dutch cheese, tea or chocolate; luncheon, soup, fish, meat, poultry, sweet omelets, butter and cheese, and white wine; dinner, soup, fish, roast beef or mutton, poultry or game, vegetables, cakes and pastry, fresh fruit, red and white wines, coffee and liqueur brandy.

Another reason why we know Germany expects to borrow money in the United States is that her big men are beginning to boost us and declare we won the war and can lick any power in the world. Germany does not deserve any consideration at our hands, but we can't for the life of us see how we are going to let a nation suffer that praises our fighting ability like that.

An American countess is suing her titled husband for divorce, one complaint being that he spent all her allowance without giving her any of her own money. But then the American women, ambitious for titles, should reflect that they cannot buy these noble bargains and have the purchase money too.

Strangely enough, intelligence has never been properly applied to the human problem as a human problem. We commonly think in terms of race, nation, creed, sex, class condition—not in terms of common humanity. It is time for the human race to secure proper recognition from its own members.

While the war was going on any attempt to create friction between America and its allies was recognized at once as enemy propaganda, but now, in a situation no less menacing to the welfare of the world, abuse of our allies by interested partisans goes unchallenged.

In some instances the workmen, yielding to the spell of the lovely summer weather and the unrest of general conditions, walked out, and then, being unable to think of anything to strike for, walked in again.

Sometimes one is tempted to believe that the sacred law of supply and demand is a fraud. For instance, now that corn is no longer in demand for whisky making, corn has gone up to nearly \$2 a bushel.

Picture postcards cost only one cent to mail now, and you have probably already received one saying, "This is our hotel—our window is the one marked with a cross."

Those holdup men who got \$1,350 disguised as doughnuts were in luck. They might have grabbed only a dollar disguised as a pound of cooked ham.

Corn is nearly \$2 a bushel, and the first thing it knows, mush-and-milk is going to find itself in the luxury class.

Comparatively little is heard these days about the "downtrodden" farmer.

**Should Be Quarantined.**  
Many physicians believe that anyone who has a bad cold should be completely isolated to prevent other members of the family and associates from contracting the disease, as colds are about as catching as measles. One thing sure—the sooner one risks himself of a cold the less the danger, and you will look a good while before you find a better medicine than Chamberlain's Cough Remedy to aid you in curing a cold.—Adv.

The minute man says he wastes hours when he heeds his wife's "Wait a minute!"

## APPLE BUYERS KNOW CHARACTERISTICS AND USES OF THE SEVERAL VARIETIES



It Pays to Buy Apples by the Barrel If You Have a Place to Store Them.

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.)

Different varieties of apples have pomological Bertillon marks that serve as identification guides to the initiated. Those who "know" apples understand that in many cases an unattractive skin covers flesh of most delicious flavor, while on the other hand many a fair appearing apple leaves the consumer with the conviction that he does not like apples as well as he used to. Buying an apple because its skin is red or because it appears attractive—if you don't know any more about it than that—is like buying a pig in a poke. A rosy apple may taste as good as it looks, but it is quite as apt not to do so. Persons not familiar with the qualities of the different varieties of apples are wise, when buying in quantity, to stick to standard sorts. The characteristics of a few of the leading varieties are given as follows:

**Ben Davis Leads in Quantity.**  
From the standpoint of quantity the most important apple to be found on the market is the Ben Davis. It is a good-sized apple, very attractive in appearance, being so heavily striped with red in well-grown specimens, as to make a nearly solid red color on the exposed side. It is notoriously lacking in eating quality but when used for cooking purposes it has considerable merit. Because of its good keeping and shipping qualities it is one of the most widely known of the winter varieties.

The Jonathan is one of the best and one of the most common varieties of apples in season during the fall months and which are excellent for eating uncooked. The Jonathan is a medium-sized red apple and rather small for culinary purposes, but it is seldom used in this way because of its choice dessert qualities.

The Grimes, or Grimes Golden, as it is commonly called, is another fall apple that has a season extending about to the 1st of January. It is commonly used as an eating apple because of its specially fine flavor and other dessert qualities. It is a medium-sized golden yellow apple and should not be held much later than the holidays, because it is apt to develop "apple scald," a storage trouble to which this variety is susceptible, if it is held too long.

One of the best known apples for culinary purposes, although it possesses dessert qualities as well, is the Rhode Island Greening. This is a greenish yellow apple of fairly large size. Some of the apples have a reddish blush on the exposed sides. The Greening possesses good keeping qualities and is primarily a winter apple.

**Baldwin Important Commercially.**  
The most important commercial winter variety grown in the northern apple districts is the Baldwin. It is a solid red apple in well-colored specimens, and is one of the most important long-keeping general-purpose varieties. While not possessing some of the sprightly flavor of some of the dessert varieties, it yet has a wide use for eating as well as culinary purposes.

The Yellow Newton or Albenarie Pippin is a winter dessert apple of yellowish-green color. The crisp, juicy texture of the apple and its very high flavor make this sort particularly prized for eating purposes during the winter months. The Yellow Newton possesses good cooking qualities, but the relatively high price at which it frequently is sold makes it a dessert rather than a cooking apple.

The Winesap and the Stayman Winesap are important varieties widely grown in different parts of the country. The Stayman Winesap is a good-sized, red-striped to nearly solid red apple which possesses excellent keeping qualities and is of much importance both for dessert purposes and for cooking. The Winesap has excellent dessert qualities and is regarded as one of the best general purpose apples on the market, although a little small for an ideal cooking apple.

**Northern Spy Is Popular.**  
One of the staple varieties of apples grown principally in the northern apple districts is the Northern Spy. It is of good size and one of the choicest of the dessert apples because of its crisp texture and spicy flavor. It is

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not lacking in culinary qualities, but like the Jonathan and Grimes and some of the other choice varieties, it is predominantly valuable for dessert purposes.

An apple more frequently boxed than barreled, and grown largely in the Northwest, is the Arkansas Black. It is good sized and very firm and hard until fully matured. Solid red in color, it assumes in many specimens almost a black shade. It is in season during the winter. Its use is principally culinary. It is frequently found on the fruit stands but is not very desirable for eating in its fresh state.

The Banana or Winter Banana is in season in the late fall and winter. This apple can be used for both cooking and dessert, is a good-sized apple and very attractive in appearance when well grown. Its greenish-yellow surface has considerable blush when highly colored. It is widely grown and good for general purposes.

## FIRE PROTECTION ON FARM OF IMPORTANCE

Blazes Are Started in Several Different Ways.

Grave Menace Lies in Improper Handling and Storage of Gasoline—Pail of Water Is Oldest and Cheapest Extinguisher.

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.)

These are the days when the fire hazard is considerably increased over what it was in the summer months. With the coming of cool weather, quick fires are started in the stoves or furnace and often a fire is discovered that needs repair. Accumulations of inflammable rubbish in which a bad blaze may be started should be got rid of. Matches are used in increased numbers in winter, and that means additional chances of accidental fires. Kerosene is employed in greater quantities, being used for starting fires and for the lamps, and, therefore, this hazard is increased. An even graver menace lies in the improper handling of gasoline. It is highly important that every precaution be taken to store the gasoline supply in properly located and constructed reservoirs.

This is the season also for the farmer to look to his fire-fighting equipment. A pail of water is the oldest, simplest and cheapest of fire extinguishers. There is no reason why pails of water, to be used only in case of fire, should not be installed in every farm building. If possible they should be painted a special color, preferably red, or labeled so as to be conspicuous and less subject to unauthorized use.

The chemical extinguisher has come into quite general use on automobiles and elsewhere about the farm, and has many advantages over the water bucket. It can be employed, for example, in subduing fires among oils, where water is of no value. In the absence of a chemical extinguisher, sand is serviceable in extinguishing burning oil in case of a small fire on the floor or in a similar container. Sawdust is also effective in putting out oil fires. If it is scattered over the entire surface of the burning liquid so as to smother the flames. The United States department of agriculture has issued a Farmers' Bulletin 904, "Fire Prevention and Fire Fighting on the Farm," which discusses the various types of fire extinguishers and their merits. It may be had free by addressing the department.

**CATTLE HARVEST CORN CROP**  
Plan Succeeds Very Well When Hogs Are Sent in to Clean Up What Cattle Have Left.

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.)  
The use of cattle for harvesting corn succeeds very well if hogs are later turned in to clean up what the cattle may have left on the ground. Cattle may be used thus almost as successfully as sheep or hogs.

**Only a Cold.**  
Are you ill? It is often answered—"Oh, it's only a cold," as if a cold was a matter of little consequence, but people are beginning to learn that a common cold is a matter not to be trifled with, that some of the most serious diseases start with a cold. As soon as the first indication of a cold appear take Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. Remember that the sooner you get rid of your cold the less the danger, and this remedy will help you to throw it off.

Sometimes the better half gets the worst of it.

Love is seldom so blind that it can't distinguish the dollar mark.

## IMPROVED UNIFORM INTERNATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

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## LESSON FOR DECEMBER 28

REVIEW: THE TRAINING OF PETER AND JOHN.

GOLDEN TEXT—Ye shall be my witnesses.—Acts 1:8.  
SELECTION FOR READING—I John 13:1-5.  
PRIMARY TOPIC—Two Strong Friends of Jesus.

JUNIOR TOPIC—Witnesses for Jesus.  
INTERMEDIATE TOPIC—Steps in the Training of Peter and John.  
SENIOR AND ADULT TOPIC—Qualified to Serve.

A good way to review the lessons of the six months' course of study in the lives of Peter and John will be to arrange them under three heads, as follows: I. Their Call; II. Their Training; III. Their Service. The first half of the studies, the part we have now completed, have had to do with the calling and training of Peter and John. The last half, the lessons for the first quarter of 1920, will have to do with their service.

I. Their Call.

1. To be disciples (Lesson 1) John 1:29-42.

Before Christ trains for service he calls to salvation.

2. To be fishers of men (Lesson 2) Mark 1:14-20.

It would seem that after their conversion the disciples had gone back to their trade of fishing. Those who are called by Christ unto salvation should go back to their ordinary callings in life, if they be honorable, until he definitely calls them into special service.

II. Their Training.

1. Jesus in Peter's home (Lesson 3) Mark 1:29-39.

Christ's entry into Peter's home and the healing of his wife's mother showed to his disciples that he was a sympathizing Saviour.

2. A lesson in trust (Lesson 4) Matt. 14:22-33.

The pressing and abiding need of the disciples in their ministry was to trust the Lord.

3. Peter's great confession (Lesson 6) Matt. 16:13-24.

The Lord had been revealing himself in various ways to the disciples. He now examined them to see what they knew about himself. Peter, as spokesman for the rest of the disciples, confessed both the Messiahship and Deity of Christ.

4. Witnesses of Christ's glory (Lesson 7) Luke 9:28-36.

The disciples were offended at the revelation of the cross; their hopes were shattered because they could not see beyond the cross. The transfiguration convinced them not only of his essential glory, but gave them a fore-glimpse of his triumph in his coming kingdom (II Peter 1:16-18).

5. Jesus corrects John's narrowness (Lesson 8) Luke 9:46-50.

The disciples needed to know that all who are really doing the Lord's work, casting out devils, and casting them out in Christ's name, should be received into fellowship and hidden Godspeed. Religious intolerance is displeasing to Jesus.

6. Jesus teaches true greatness (Lesson 9) John 13:1-16.

The truly great are those who take the lowest place in service for others. 7. Peter and John asleep in Gethsemane (Lesson 10) Mark 14:32-42.

Though Christ was suffering the awful agony in the garden, his disciples were asleep. Because they did not watch and pray, they failed in the hour of temptation.

8. At the trial crucifixion and resurrection of Jesus (Lesson 11) John 18:15-18; 19:25-27; 20:1-10; 21:15-19.

Peter's presumptuous self-confidence kept him from heeding the Lord's warning. He played the coward and even indulged in oaths. Note the steps in Peter's downfall: (1) Self-confidence (Mark 14:29). Jesus had just told them that all of them should be offended, but Peter was determined to show the Lord that he was mistaken in him.

(2) Failure to watch (Mark 14:37). Self-confidence is always followed by unwatchfulness. One who thinks himself strong will go to sleep.

(3) Failure to pray (Mark 14:38). It is the one who realizes his weakness who always seeks the communion of God in prayer. (4) Zeal without knowledge (Mark 14:47). Peter thought now to make up for his lack of watchfulness and prayer by outward acts. Many today are equally foolish. (5) Following afar off (Mark 14:54). Christ's rebuke of Peter for his ignorant zeal cut him to the quick. He was not ready to forsake him, but followed afar off, no doubt wondering what would be the outcome. (6) Warming himself at the enemies' fire (Mark 14:54). (7) Open denial (Mark 14:66-72).

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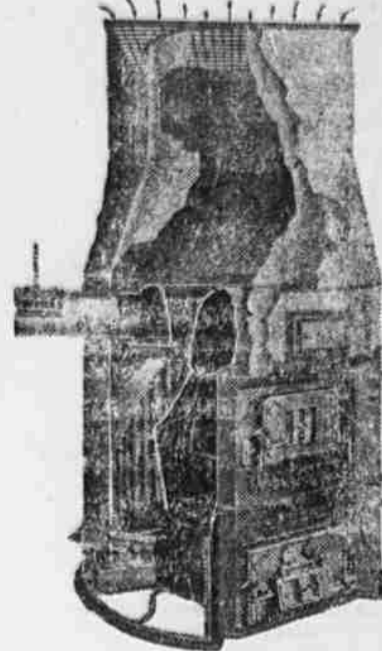
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